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In re Patent Application of :  
Fei CHEN et al.  
Serial No.: 10/091,782  
Filed: March 7, 2002

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For: SYSTEM FOR OPTIMISING THE PRODUCTION PERFORMANCE  
OF A MILK PRODUCING ANIMAL HERD

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
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Responsive to the attached copy of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application ("Notice") mailed April 5, 2002, Applicants submit herewith a signed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application ("Declaration"). Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that a filing date of March 7, 2002, be granted to this application.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

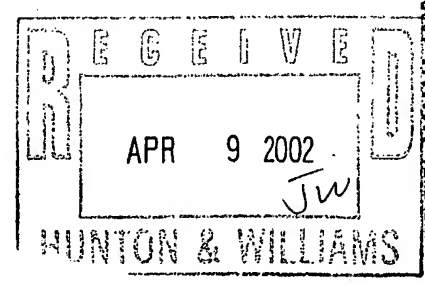
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